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Leadership Park City

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*Over Twenty Years & Still Connecting
Live PC....Lead PC*



What's Up With Mike Wong (18)



Mike Wong (18) moved to Park City in 1993, graduated from Park City High and then attended the University of Arizona. After a short period of working in Los Angeles, he returned to Park City in 2005 to open up a nightclub; The Sidecar. *"I owned and operated the business for 5 years before selling in 2010. I returned to the world of engineering shortly after and also became part of Leadership class 18. My father, Russell Wong, was part of Leadership class 2."*

An industrial engineer by trade, he stays busy all year long. *"I run my own consulting company primarily dealing with product design and work as a mountain host at Deer Valley in the winter and help to run Silly Sunday Market in the summer."* A year or so ago, Mike also began mentoring with the Park City Center for Advanced Professional Studies (PCCAPS) program.

Kickstarted Idea

"My old HS physics teacher, Charlie Matthews, asked me to become a mentor. He was one of the main reasons I pursued a degree in engineering."

Mike began mentoring 3 students (Mina Berglund, Paige DaBell and Gates Lamb) on how to take an idea and turn it into a physical product. *"My original intention was to launch a modular design that could be used for water storage and humanitarian shelters but the scope was just too big for a semester project."*

Instead Mike and his team created a toy that was environmentally conscious and unique.



"We've utilized a 3D modeling software, 3D printing and the local community to achieve success," Their product is a building block called IKOS which is manufactured from 100% recycled HDPE, consisting of milk jugs and other containers.

The Idea Transforms....

Student member of the team, Mina Berglund, explained, *"At the beginning of the IKOS project, the design was nothing more than a simple sphere. Mike challenged our team to grow this design into a revolutionary new way of thinking. Paige, Gates and I worked together to create two big ideas for the IKOS project. We added snap-on features so attaching pieces in parallel and building larger structures could become much easier and holes on the front side of the pieces in order to grow creations perpendicularly."*



They ran a successful crowd-funding campaign on Kickstarter, which raised over \$24,000. The money was used to order the tooling necessary to produce the product here in Utah.

"We filed for a utility patent and have secured enough funds to launch what we believe is the Lego for the new generation," said Mike.

IKOS Is REAL

Since filing for that patent...the IKOS has become a reality. *"The students recently worked IKOS first trade show in Las Vegas and had tremendous success,"* Mike said. *"IKOS is currently being sold in over 25 retail locations and seeking national distribution. The networking from Leadership and support from the local community has had a huge impact on our success to date."*

Shown at the Las Vegas Trade Show are Mina Berglund and Gates Lamb.

Mentoring Pays Off And Pays It Forward

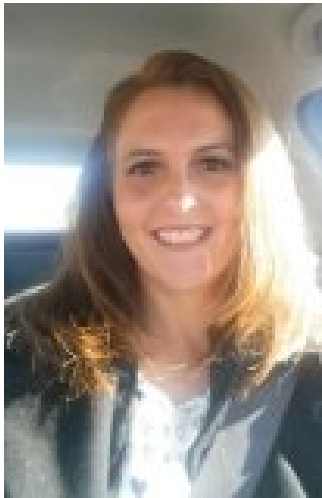


Many of Leadership Park City's alumni give back to our community in so many ways. Mike found a very effective way to focus his leadership skills, his time and efforts toward education and those efforts will continue to pay off in the future by influencing future mentors. *"Mike has been a fantastic teacher and mentor,"* offered Mina. *"I hope to be in his position*

one day, teaching the new generation about a field of work I am passionate about."

**Thanks Mike, for being a great example
of what Leadership Park City is all about.
Best of luck with IKOS!**

Meet Karen Anderson

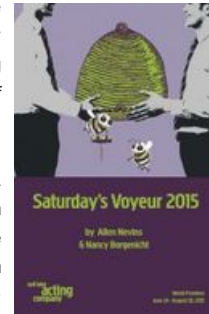


The new smiling face of Myles' Leadership 'right-hand-man' belongs to Park City Municipal Executive Analyst, Karen Anderson. A Utah native, born in Heber but a resident of Provo for the past 20 years...Karen, husband Eric and three sons, Tyler 13, Casey 10 and McKay 2, moved to Heber and built a home they plan to stay in forever.

"I've wanted to move back to Heber for awhile, to be near my mom, who is getting older and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to work for Park City Municipal."

Park City Night At Saturday's Voyeur

Thursday, July 30 will be our 7th Annual Park City Night at Salt Lake Acting Company's production of SATURDAY'S VOYEUR.



The play is a satirical & entertaining look at life in Utah. Once again we have reserved the Green Room for a Happy Hour prior to the performance. Attendees are requested to BYOB and also an appetizer to add to the buffet. Food and drink can be brought into the theatre as well.

I've reserved tables as well as a few theatre seats . Regular ticket price is \$50 but offered to us at a reduced price of \$45.

Happy Hour: 6:25-7:25
Showtime: 7:30

RSVP to bbretz56@msn.com by June 26 to reserve your tickets. Checks can be mailed to: 7405 Stagecoach/PC/UT/84098

(Play runs from June 24 to Aug 30. It's easy to exchange tix for another date if necessary.)

Alumni News

Having grown up within the state, did Karen have a preconceived notion of what to expect Park City to be like? ***"I think everyone does, even for someone like me who grew up so close to Park City. I expected the work atmosphere to be very serious, but it is actually just the right balance of fun and seriousness."***

What has come as the biggest surprise is the friendly helpful people she has encountered. ***"What a wonderful community!"***

A Sporting Family



Like many other families, the Andersons are into a variety of sports. A perfect weekend for Karen would be watching sporting events, especially if her kids are participating. ***"We are a huge sporting family, but we also enjoy spending down time together."***

No pets in the family to speak of yet, but Karen is a cat lover and hopes to acquire one someday.

Karen is a runner and loves to run and workout. She also loves to read but doesn't miss a chance to watch or talk about sports. ***"My all-time favorite time of year is when college basketball enters March Madness. I make a huge tournament bracket on my wall and watch all the games. It's better than Christmas for me!"***

Karen is working closely with Myles and the current Leadership class. ***"I'm extremely excited for this opportunity to work with Myles and Leadership Park City. I think it's an incredible program. This community is so fortunate to have the program and such amazing mentors like Myles and other alumni from whom they can learn and with whom to network."***

Karen also looks forward to meeting alumni whenever possible and learning from them as well.

Karen invites any alumni to come in and say 'Hi' whenever they are in the area of City Hall. ***"I'm always excited and interested to meet new people and hear about their Leadership experiences; what they liked, didn't like, learned or a memorable experience they had while in the program."***

Welcome to Karen and her family
into the Leadership Family!

Leadership Is.....

A leader is one who knows the way...goes the way...and shows the way.



When you hear about or see a Leadership alumni in the news...let me know. I love to give a shout-out to recognize continuing accomplishments, successes and great news! I'm frequently on the road so your tips help! bbretz56@msn.com

Events Calendar

Last week of June: Applications for Leadership class 22 will be available on line.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Friday, June 26- Last day to RSVP for Saturday's Voyageur; bbretz56@msn.com

Monday, July 13; 5:30 pm
- Alumni Picnic at Rotary Park.

Thursday, July 30- Saturday's Voyageur
6:15-7:30-Happy Hour
7:30- Show time

September 9-13- City Tour. Those interested in attending can contact Karen Anderson to get on the waiting list. karen.anderson@parkcity.

Face to Face

We can work for you!

Let the FB page help you promote what you are doing.



PLEASE feel free to post on this page.

Whether you have a business venture, non profit or just a piece of interest, Leadership Alumni is here to help you keep networking.

Look for the group **Leadership Park City Alumni** on Facebook...like us and join us.

JOIN LPCA

Use your credit card to join LPCA! \$25 annual membership runs from October 1 through September 30. Find out how to join by emailing Barb Bretz at: bbretz56@msn.com

***SUPPORT** the Leadership Park City Program.

***PROVIDE** on-going education for graduates.

***PROVIDE** on-going networking opportunities.

***UNDERTAKE** activities benefiting our community.

John C. Maxwell

Leadership Alumni Picnic



**SAVE THE DATE.....MONDAY,
JULY 13; 5:30 pm will be the
annual Alumni Picnic at Rotary
Park.**

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